New Scooter Regulations Take Effect on July 1, 2019

Here's what you should know:

Staging Requirements:

Staging is when operators place their devices on the street or sidewalk, typically in the morning. Two provisions govern how scooter companies can deploy their devices daily:

The 4/40 Provision: Operators may stage their devices in groups of 4 on the sidewalk, and these groups of 4 must maintain a minimum distance of 40 feet from each other.

Mobility Device Corral Provision: On city blocks where an on-street corral is installed, operators will have to stage from the corral and not on the sidewalk for that block.

Geofencing/Limiting Speeds:

High pedestrian areas like the boardwalk will be geofenced in a way to limit speeds down to 8mph and will prevent riders from ending rides in these areas. We continue to work to get a ban on the beach boardwalks.

Scooter Permit Fees:

Operators will be required to pay a \$5,141 permit fee every 6 months and a \$150 per device every 6 months.

Clean-up and Impounds:

Citizens will be able to report mis-parked devices via the Get-it-Done App. Operators will have 3 hours to remove the reported devices and remedy the situation. If they don't, City staff will impound the device at a cost of \$65 per device, and \$1 per day for storage.

Additional regulations will require scooter companies to indemnify the city, carry liability insurance, pay a performance bond, and share relevant aggregated and anonymized data with the City for mobility planning purposes.

For more information, please contact my office at 619-236-6611 or BarbaraBry@sandiego.gov. Please also let us know if you see problems in your neighborhood.

